## IMPLEMENTATION

Implementation of the recommendations of the Windlass Run/Bird River Road Area Community Plan is a vital element to assure its usefulness. However, it is important that communities be realistic in regard to what to expect from a community plan. For example, recommendations involving capital improvement projects, i.e., the expenditure of County funds, may not be implemented for years because of fiscal constraints. The County has neither the manpower nor the financial resources to respond to every demand made by communities. Additionally, residents must keep in mind that capital improvement projects for their area compete with projects that are of equal or greater importance to communities in other parts of the County.

Communities should therefore think of creative solutions to issues that concern them. For example, rather than depending on the County to provide new recreational facilities, communities should examine whether their needs could be addressed via a "creative partnership arrangement" between developers wishing to develop sites in the study area and residents.

In cases where the implementation of the recommendations is within the purview of County agencies, the community should prioritize their demands and set yearly goals. For example, instead of expecting that the County respond to all their requests simultaneously, residents should pick one or two projects each year and actively pursue their implementation.

Apart from making implementation more manageable, prioritizing recommendations on an annual basis has the advantage of promoting community cohesiveness by bringing residents and business people together to work towards a common goal.

## Recommendations

The community should create a Plan Implementation Citizen Group to work with County agencies on the implementation of the recommended actions.

The community should prioritize their recommendations and select one or two initial projects that they will actively pursue.

## TABLE 4 Implementation Program

| Recommended Action   | Responsibility for Implementation  |
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| Zoning   |  |
| Review and evaluate  | Office of Planning   |
| appropriateness of zoning classifications  | Community  |
| <u>Development</u>   |  |
| Development design guidelines and policies.  | Reviewing agencies and decision makers Community   |
| Roads  |  |
| Upgrade<br>Ebenezer Road<br>Earls Road<br>Bird River Road  | Department of Public Works   |
| New Construction<br>MD 43<br>Campbell Boulevard  | State Highway Administration Department of Public Works  |
| Environment  |  |
| Develop incentives that encourage dedication of environmentally sensitive land to the County for Windlass Run Stream Valley Park. Incorporate Windlass Run into the County's Greenways program. Amend official Greenways Map to reflect this | Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management Department of Recreation and Parks Office of Planning Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management Department of Recreation and Parks |
| change.  | Office of Planning   |
| Recreation and Parks  Expand Vincent Elementary School Recreation Center site  | Board of Education Department of Recreation and Parks Office of Planning   |
| Create Windlass Run Stream Valley<br>Park  | Department of Recreation and Parks Office of Planning  |
| Schools  |  |
| Discuss with Board of Education the prospect of having the Department of Recreation and Parks develop recreational amenities on the Vincent Elementary School Recreation Center site.  | Board of Education Department of Recreation and Parks Office of Planning   |
| Implementation   |  |
| Create Plan Implementation Group   | Community Office of Planning   |